

Team Agenda

November 29, 2011

* **Successes—Please post on Wiki under 8th Team**

Welcome Mr. Ross and Mrs. William to our team!

* **Feedback on Walk-through**

Walk-through was good. Kids were engaged.

Growth in 8th grade is a problem.

* **8th Team**
  + What is our identity?
  + How do we add value?
  + What is special about being in 8th grade?
  + How do we prepare them for the academics of high school?
  + Muscle confusion—7th grade has a new experience but in 8th grade there is no confusion. How can we confuse them? Challenge them? Keep the momentum.
  + We need to revise our 8th grade orientation.
  + College Plan—Explore Station
  + Pictures in the Cap and Gown
  + Bring in college teachers to present to 8th grade core
  + What can we do right now to increase academics?
  + Come up with an academics policy and put it on Alert Now before Christmas.
  + ZAP—Zeroes aren’t permitted.
  + Use Zumba as an incentive?—Let students know ahead of time, every other week?
  + December 22 early out—stay in advisement